गत पिछले वर्ष की तुलना में कम कर दिया गया है ;

(ख) 1986-87 और 1991-92 के वर्षों के दौरान उत्पाद शुल्क के माध्यम से कितना-कितना राजस्व अर्जित किया गया; और

(ग) सरकार सिगरेटों पर उत्पाद शुल्क बढ़ाने के लिए क्या प्रयास कर रही है ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर): (क) सिगरेटों पर उत्पाद शुल्क उनकी लम्बाई के आधार पर मात्रानुसार दरों पर लगाया जाता है। वर्ष 1992-93 के बजट में सिगरेटों पर मात्रानुसार शुल्क की दरें बढ़ाई गई थी।

(ख) वर्ष 1986-87 और 1991-92 के दौरान सिगरेटों से प्राप्त केन्द्रीय उत्पाद शुल्क की राशि क्रमशः 1307.51 करोड़ रुपये और 2387.07 करोड़ रुपये (अन्तिम) है।

(ग) क्योंकि अभी अगला बजट पेश किया जाने वाला है, इसलिए इस बात को ध्यान में रखते हुए इस संबंध में और कुछ बताना संभव नहीं है।

Steps to strengthen the Reserve Bank of India's working

1222. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that as a result of Scam, Government have taken immediate steps to improve and strengthen the working of Reserve Bank of India;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what further steps including 'strike forces have been finalised for implementation during the current year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) to (c) Reserve Bank of India (RBI) have reported that in the context of changes taking place in the financial markets, it has been reviewing its supervisory/regulatory role on an ongoing basis and taking steps to respond to the challenges. Some of the measures already taken by RBI in this regard include introduction of a computerised system for the processing of SGL transactions in its Public Debt Office, constitution of a cell for supervision of funds management operations and undertaking of an exercise on evolving a proper statistical format for reporting and analysing of portfolio management scheme data. It has also been decided to set up a Supervisory Budy under the aegis of RBI and a Special Bureau for handling frauds of large magnitude and extreme complexity. Further, RBI is examining the matter regarding creation of a 'Strike Force'.

Anti-corruption action plan for banks and Financial Institutions

1223. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have directed Reserve Bank of India to formulate an effective anti-corruption action plan for public sector banks and financial institutions;

(b) if so what are the details of directions given and plan formulated alongwith the weaknesses in the existing provisions; and

(c) what are the details of steps being taken to protect the interests of investors in private/cooperative banks and financial institutions ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) to (c) In May, 1985 Government of India had forwarded an action plan on anti-corruption measures to all public sector banks, which envisaged action on their part and reporting to the Government regarding streamlining existing rules and procedures etc., staffing pattern, strengthening of vigilance machinery,

expeditious disposal of disciplinary cases, preparation of agreed list of officers of doubtful integrity and keeping surveillance on such employees and review of cases of employees who have completed 50/55 years of age and or 30 years of service with a view to retire those not having satisfactory service records. In September 1991, Reserve Bank of India (RBI) had advised all the banks to structurally strengthen and revitalised the internal control and vigilance machinery, to bestow attention to preventive vigilance, to undertake various vigilance measures such as location of sensitive functional spots, preparation of agreed list etc.

At the instance of the Government, RBI appointed a Committee in October 1991 to enquire into various aspects of frauds and malpractices in banks. On receipt of the report of the Committee, RBI has advised all scheduled commercial banks vide its letter dated August 25, 1992 to initiate implementation of the recommendations, covering, *inter-alia* the recommendations regarding custody of cash and other valuables, laying down clearly the authority to put through investment deals and their reporting, periodical review of brokers performance and relationship, recording and keeping of securities and their periodic reconciliation, setting up of an Internal Loan Review Department, rationalisation of returns and streamlining of present information system, adoption of preventive measures of vigilance, rotation of staff/duties covering dealing rooms/securities staff etc., precautions against misappropriation of cash, issue of bank guarantee/LC on security printed forms, entering premises transactions with the approval of board and suggestions from preventive vigilance angle in computer installation etc. the banks are required to furnish to the RBI implementation reports on quarterly basis.

बम्बई शेयर बाजार में प्रयोग की जा रही नकली टिकटें

1224. **श्री विश्वासराव राम राव पाटिल:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि बम्बई शेयर बाजार में नकली टिकटें प्रयोग की जा रही हैं;

(ख) विगत वर्ष 1991-92 और वर्ष 1992-93 में अब तक "जनरल-स्टाम्प आफिस" से कितनी-कितनी टिकटें बेची गई ;

(ग) क्या यह भी सच है कि इस शेयर बाजार में शेयरों के जितने हस्तान्तरण हुए उनके मुताबिक टिकटों की बिक्री नहीं हुई;

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके परिणामस्वरूप सरकार को कितने राजस्व की हानि हुई ;

(ङ) क्या सरकार इस अवधि में हुए सभी हस्तान्तरणों पर पुनः टिकट लगाना अनिवार्य करने का विचार रखती है ;

(च) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(छ) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण हैं ?

वित्त मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री रामेश्वर ठाकुर) : (क) से (छ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जायेगी ।

Rival claims regarding reward for seizure

1225. SHRI PASUMPON THA. KIRUTTINAN :

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that rival claims have been made by both the Customs and the D.R.I. in Madras, in a case involving seizure of five tonnes of silver valued at Rs. 4 crores; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to frame clear cut norms to avoid such intra-departmental rivalry ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) and (b) The Collector of Customs, Madras and the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence have